

Organization: Sussex Neighborhood Association

Meeting Date: March 19, 2013

in Attendance: 53

- What happens to tax rate when the housing values go back up?
- Have there been discussions in Richmond about the gas tax related to goods and services? What affect does that have on Hampton?
- Can you appeal real estate assessments?
- How does the City determine if assessments in a particular section of the city will decrease or increase?
- Does having rental properties in a neighborhood contribute to the amount of the real estate assessment?
- What about the pay rate for teachers?
- Can the City create a program to help parents raise their children? The City should advertise the Parent Education classes more often.
- The schools have taken out the basics to reduce the budget but the students are paying for it.
- Concern about cutting transportation and school buses for middle school and some elementary. Transportation to magnet school is important.
- There are a lot of children and teenagers in the neighborhood. Is there a possibility for the City in developing a jobs program for young people?
- Concern about minimal supervision at the Teen Center.
- Youth programs and the Teen Center are great but Hampton needs to market it better.
- Don't cut budgets regarding to youth programming because it will cause more problems for the short and long term.
- Would like to know if it's possible to supply a van to the military to volunteer. To help transport youth.
- Is there programming/resources for the middle school-aged young people?
- Is it possible to supply young people with bus passes for them to get to the Teen Center?
- Concern about bullying in the schools and in the community.
- Concern for neighborhood safety but believe the neighborhood/ community plays a direct role in resolving the issue.